



South Coast Air Quality Management District

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT & SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE ADVISORY GROUP FRIDAY, JULY 16, 2010 MEETING MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dennis Yates, AQMD Governing Board Member, LGSBA Chairman
Greg Adams, L.A. County Sanitation District
Paul Avila, P.B.A. & Associates
Geoffrey Blake, Metal Finishers of Southern California/All Metals
Daniel Cunningham, Metal Finishing Association
Jacob Haik, Office of School Board Member Richard Vladovic
Maria Elena Kennedy, Kennedy Communications
Steve Mugg, South Orange County Representative, City of Mission Viejo

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ronald Loveridge, AQMD Governing Board Member, LGSBA Vice Chairman
Felipe Aguirre, Vice Mayor, City of Maywood
Todd Campbell, Clean Energy
Angelo Logan, East Yard Communities for Environmental Justice
Kelly Moulton, Paralegal

OTHERS PRESENT:

Earl Elrod, Board Member Assistant (*Yates*)
Nicole Nishimura, Board Member Assistant (*Lyou*)
Frank Caponi, Los Angeles County Sanitation District
Kris Flaig, Los Angeles County Sanitation District
Paul Ryan, California Refuse and Recycling Council

AQMD STAFF:

Philip Crabbe, Community Relations Manager
Nancy Feldman, Principal Deputy District Counsel
Anupom Ganguli, Asst. Deputy Executive Officer/Public Advisor
Patricia Kwon, Air Quality Specialist
Lori Langrell, Secretary
Chung Liu, Deputy Executive Officer
Dairo Moody, Air Quality Specialist
John Olvera, Principal Deputy District Counsel
David Ono, Program Supervisor
Gary Quinn, Program Supervisor
Kevin Orellana, Air Quality Specialist
Laki Tisopulos, Asst. Deputy Executive Officer

Agenda Item #1 - Call to Order/Opening Remarks

Chair Dennis Yates called the meeting to order at 11:14 a.m.

Agenda Item #2 – Approval of June 11, 2010 Meeting Minutes/Review of Follow-Up/Action Items

Chair Yates called for approval of the meeting minutes.

The June 11, 2010 meeting minutes were approved. The action items from that meeting were completed.

Agenda Item #3 –Amend Rule 1150.1 – Control of Gaseous Emissions from Municipal Solid Waste Landfills

Ms. Jill Whynot gave a presentation on Rule 1150.1 – control of gaseous emissions from municipal solid waste landfills.

Agenda Item #4 –On-Road Heavy Duty Vehicle Voucher Incentive Program (VIP and HVIP)

Mr. Fred Minassian provided an update on the On-Road Heavy Duty Vehicle Voucher Incentive Program (VIP and HVIP).

Mr. Geoff Blake asked what percent of the purchase price of a truck represents the incentive. Mr. Minassian replied that the incentive is approximately 40%.

Mr. Greg Adams asked if there is still a three vehicle per fleet limitation. Mr. Minassian replied in the negative.

Agenda Item #5 – Rule 1146 – Emissions of Oxides of Nitrogen from Industrial, Institutional and Commercial Boilers, Steam Generators, and Process Heaters and Rule 1146.1 – Emissions of Oxides of Nitrogen from Small Industrial, Institutional, and Commercial Boilers, Steam Generators, and Process Heaters, Implementation Assessment Report

Mr. Gary Quinn provided a status update on the Implementation Assessment Report for Rules 1146 and 1146.1.

Mr. Adams asked if this discussion pertained to natural gas burners. Mr. Quinn confirmed this.

Mr. Blake asked if this addresses Rule 1146.2, and whether there are changes coming in that category. Mr. Quinn and Mr. Laki Tisopulos replied that this does not address Rule 1146.2 and they do not believe any changes are coming.

Agenda Item #6 – Installation of Air Filtration Systems in the South Coast Air Basin

Ms. Patricia Kwon provided a presentation on the administration of air filtration systems in schools near the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach, and other communities.

Mr. Adams asked why the VOC aspect is being abandoned. Ms. Kwon replied that the VOC removal, technically, is tricky since the amount of carbon needed is very large and it would only

be good for a single event. She added that it is more cost effective to focus on PM removal, and conduct further testing on VOC removal technologies before using in a larger scale program.

Mr. Adams asked what additional modifications needed to be made to classrooms. Ms. Kwon stated that for the most part no modifications need to be done. She added that most involved a simple panel filter change out or some duct modifications to widen the opening. She also added that they were careful not to cut into walls as there may be asbestos issues, with the goal to keep the modifications at a minimum.

Mr. Adams commented that he felt vindicated because he had previously suggested using funds to install filters in schools next to standby generators, but his proposal was rejected five years ago.

Mr. Blake asked how effective the filters are. Ms. Kwon responded that in terms of PM and black carbon they are very effective, and regarding VOC's the results are inconclusive. Ms. Kwon offered to provide a pilot study report to the members.

Action Item: *Provide to LGSBA members the Pilot Study Report on the Air Filtration Systems.*

Mr. Jacob Haik stated that he is involved with two schools currently being built within LAUSD. He asked Ms. Kwon if the school district will be required to install something at this time. Ms. Kwon indicated that the most commonly used filters have a cost of \$3.00-\$5.00 per filter and last approximately three months. There are new high performance filters that are approximately \$100.00 per filter with a lifetime of approximately one year. They are noticing also that there are more manufacturers producing these filters and as a result the price is going down.

Mr. Adams mentioned about incentives for a business picking up the cost of filter installations, and due to PM 2.5 reductions, the business could receive an offset credit, for example in the high impact areas or along the 710 freeway.

Agenda Item #7 – Monthly Report on Small Business Assistance Activities

No comments.

Agenda Item #8 – Update on Climate Change Activities (Written Report)

Ms. Jill Whynot provided a written report on climate change activities.

Agenda Item #9 - Other Business

Dr. Ganguli announced that at the Administrative Committee meeting earlier this morning, there were some reappointments and appointments of members to the LGSBA Advisory Group. This brings the total number of members on the Group to 14. The re-appointments were as follows:

Greg Adams
Geoffrey Blake
Daniel Cunningham
Jacob Haik
Kelly Moulton

The following individuals were appointed as new members to the Advisory Group:

Rita Loof, Radtech

Mary Ann Lutz, City of Monrovia

Sam Garrison, Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce

Lucy Dunn, Orange County Business Council

Luis Ayala, City of Alhambra

Mr. Adams asked if there was a way to obtain the new member's bios. Dr. Ganguli indicated that they are available online with the Administrative Committee package.

Ms. Maria Elena Kennedy announced that she has recently been appointed to the U.S. EPA's National Drinking Water Advisory Council by Lisa Jackson.

Agenda Item #10 - Public Comment

No comments.

Agenda Item #10 - Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:59 p.m.